## **SECTION 8**

## 8.16 <u>INSTALLATION OF TAPPING SADDLES</u>:

A tapping saddle is used to make a "wet" connection to an existing main without taking the main out of service. A tapping saddle and tapping valve are not a substitute for a property line valve. A valve box shall be installed with the tapping valve.

Tapping saddles may be installed side by side when specifically approved by Denver Water. A 12 inch space shall be required between adjacent saddle plates. In an intersection, two tapping saddles may be used to run lines out of both sides of the pipe if the alignment of the pipe is kept straight out of the tapping saddle. The use of two tapping saddles, either side by side or back to back, as a substitute for a cross is strictly prohibited. A 6 inch tap on a 6 inch main and an 8 inch tap on an 8 inch main will be approved, a 12 inch on a 12 inch main will not be approved.